

RECORD PRICE IS PAID FOR AN OLD EDITION

Copy of Vanity Fair Brings
170 Pounds at Eng-
lish Sale.

Special Correspondence of The Star.
LONDON, May 29, 1912.
Collectors of the nineteenth century editions will be interested to learn that a record price, almost doubling the former one, was paid at the Messrs. Sotheby's week-end sale for "Vanity Fair, A Novel without a Hero," in the twenty original numbers, with all the wrappers and advertisements, as issued from the Punch office in 1847-8 at a shilling apiece. The Messrs. Harmsworth, who bought the copy at £170. The former highest price was £102, in the spring of 1904, for a set of the original numbers, bought four or five years earlier at £45.

Two Distinct Issues.

There are, of course, two distinct issues of the first edition of Thackeray's classic. The earlier—that which is sought by the collector—has "Vanity Fair" on page 1 in small rustic, open-letter type, and on page 226 appears a woodcut of the Marquis of Steyne. In the eighties a good copy was procurable for about £25, in the nineties for about £40, and by 1900 the value had risen to about £70. Mr. Pierpont Morgan owns all that is said to exist of the original autograph of "Vanity Fair."
To judge Elizabethan dances one should see them danced in the right (or so near as we can get to the right) Shakespearean atmosphere. In Shakespeare's England at each Court you can see them on the jutting rush-strewn stage of the Globe. The hubbub at the gate calls you to go in and see the Morris, and you go under the wooden galleries, and, looking at the leaved stool for a perch, sit among the groundlings. If you are a gallant you may sit on the stage. The Morris dancers were charming costumes. The girls wear wide beribboned hats and rich stuff dresses, with a pair of bells. There is a motley jester, the nimblest dancer of all, and a fool who buffets the dancers with a bladder. One fiddler and a drummer, beating a drum of quaint design, provide the music. They dance the Morris in the true fashion with beating sticks.

Handkerchief Dance.

The handkerchief dance, sometimes confused with it, is a separate affair. They dance, too, as if they liked it and with an infectious jollity. The theater makes an interesting setting for the dances and for the scraps of Shakespearean comedy which form the staple entertainment. The wooden galleries show at a glance how the Elizabethan theaters evolved from the yards, like the one in Southwark, of which we still have a fragment. The rich green curtain is the only bit of color, and the whole thing is of satisfying simplicity.
Across at the Fortune Theater, which does not pretend to be a reconstruction, you can see stateries dances such as Shakespeare must often have seen at court, the contents of Elizabethan music reminding us of the time when England was ahead of the continent in music as in poetry. L. H. MORRIS.

NEW RELIGIOUS PROPHET FINDS EARTHLY PARADISE

Assan Dino, a Brahmin, Arrives in Paris With Some New Ideas.

Special Telegram to The Star.
PARIS, June 1.—A new religious prophet has made his appearance. He is Assan Dino, a Brahmin, and claims to have discovered the secret of an earthly paradise. He has just explained the faith that is in him to a select company of theosophists and artists gathered at the Baroness Brault, the co-director of the Parthenon.
Assan Dino was born in Lahore, and was for ten years a resident of one of those Brahmin monasteries which are to be found in the Himalayas, and where the European or even Asiatic has set foot. After his sojourn in the monastery he traveled on foot through Africa, Asia and Europe, carefully noting the laws and customs of the people he met. He has been in Paris since November and speaks French to perfection.

Explains His Conceptions.

Explaining his theosophic conceptions, he says one can, if he so desires, make his own happiness, avoid the dangers which threaten, chase away sickness, which is a moral rather than a physical phenomenon, and be absolute master of his own destiny. Further, he said that one can satisfy every wish of nature, which is light and gayety, and not suffering.

Assan Dino contends that his new religion possesses the advantage over others. It puts paradise on earth and makes it prompt and accessible to all. "The science of equilibrium, the perfect harmony over ourselves, the divination of men and things, serenity, which is the first stage of immortality"—this is what the Brahmin teaches by means of the science of Brahma, which, he says, is the reconciliation, so long hoped for, of truth, faith, religion and science.

Saving Young Children's Lives.

From the Chicago News.
Figures prepared by the federal census bureau show that during the year 1910 children less than two years of age to the number of 8,496 died in Chicago. Of this number of deaths the Chicago department of health estimates that 6,541, or seventy-seven per cent, were unnecessary. That is to say, had the infants in question had proper care their lives would probably have been saved.

The city department of health has therefore mapped-out an extensive campaign for the reduction of infant mortality. Prevention of sickness and of insanitary conditions will naturally play a large part in the campaign. The work includes an effort to prevent blindness by providing proper attention for the eyes of new-born infants.

All this early, of course, presupposes reasonably early inspection by representatives of the health department. Under the present ineffective and unsatisfactory system of birth registration in Illinois, to which the daily News has hitherto drawn attention, prompt registration is rare and too often registration is entirely lacking. The health department expects, therefore, to supply physicians with cards to fill in and sent to the department within twenty-four hours after births in case inspection is deemed necessary, or within ten days in any event.

Much of the success of the official efforts to save infant lives depends on the full co-operation of physicians and others professionally assisting at births. Surely co-operation of this sort is not too much to ask.

No Doubtful Answer.

From Minneapolis.
"Miss Bolide," said the shy student to the fair cooed on the other end of the sofa, "if I were to throw you a kiss, what would you say?"
"I'd say you're the laziest man I ever met."

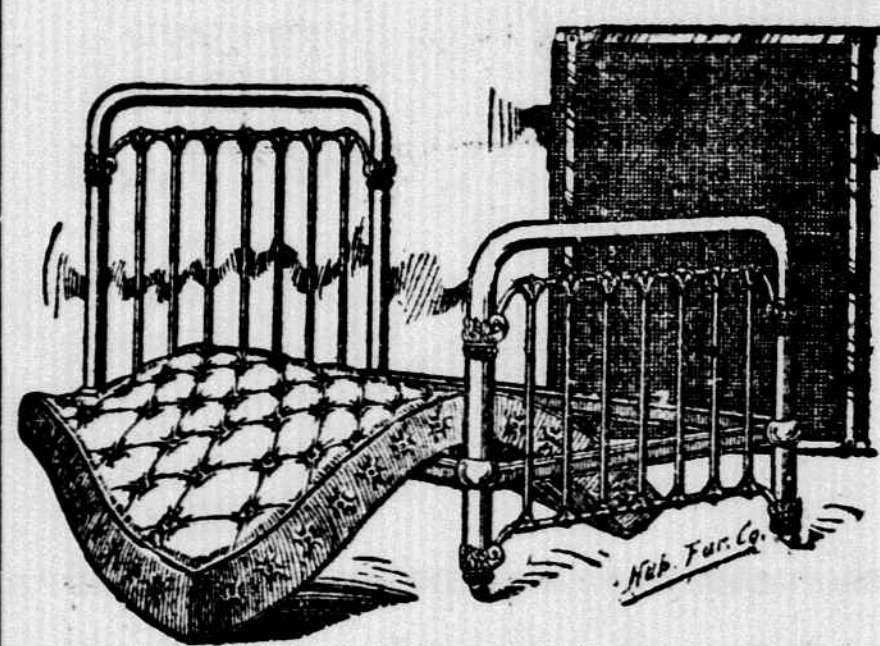


JUNE SALE

A Bargain Event of Intense Interest to June Brides—An Opportunity to Save Big Money on Needed Furniture. Our LIBERAL CREDIT TERMS Permit You to Pay in the Most Convenient Way.



This 2-inch Continuous-Post Porcelain Bed, with Iron Spring



and Cotton-Top Mattress, complete, for **\$12.75**

An unusual value in a complete bed outfit; massive 2-inch continuous-post porcelain bed, including iron spring and cotton-top mattress—all for \$12.75.

This \$2 Genuine Brass Jardiniere, 79c

Full-size Genuine Brass Jardiniere—like cut—just what you need for the blooming plants.



This Exact \$21 Three-Drawer Princess Dresser, \$12.75

Pretty 3-drawer Case Princess Dresser, polished quartered oak finish; large shaped French plate mirror; dustproof drawers, with wood pulls.

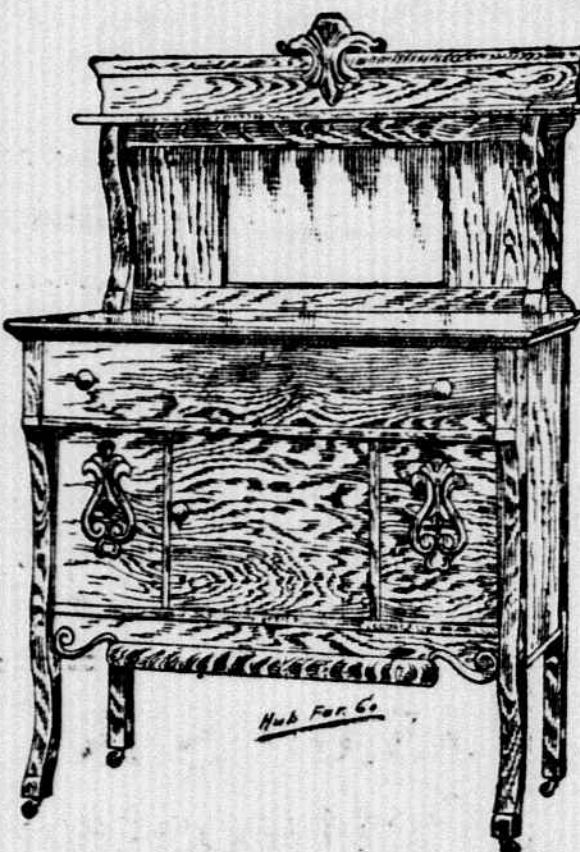


This Massive 2-inch Post Brass Bed Including Woven Wire Springs and Felt Combination Mattress. \$21.50

Heavy 2-inch Continuous-post Brass Bed, guaranteed lacquer; sanitary woven wire spring and genuine felt combination mattress; exactly as illustrated.



This Exact \$24.00 Quartered Oak Finish Buffet, \$13.75



Handsome Highly Polished Quartered Oak Finish Buffet, like cut; French plate mirror, heavy roll carved top, plush-lined silver drawer, large cupboard, and shaped legs.

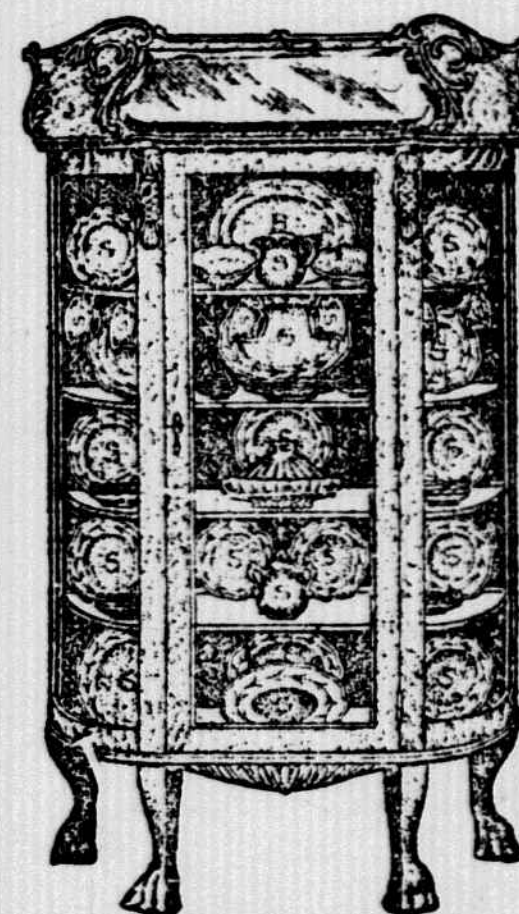
This Great Dining Room Outfit Special for June Brides

Includes One Quartered Oak Rim Colonial Extension Table and Six Genuine Boston Leather, Box Seat Dining Chairs—All for **\$19.75**



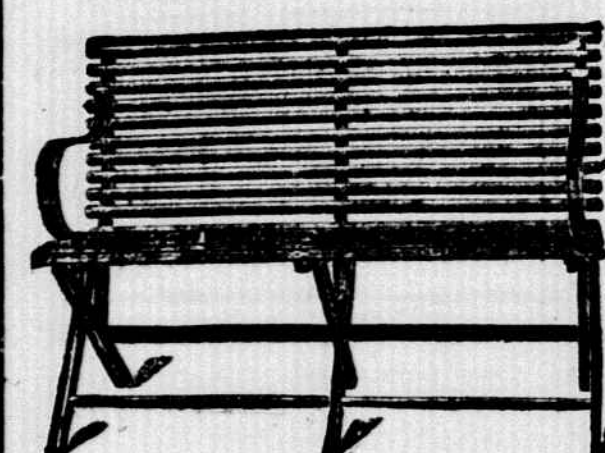
The greatest Dining Room Outfit ever advertised in this city. The massive Colonial Extension Table has round top and quartered oak rim; the six Quartered Oak Dining Chairs have genuine Boston Leather Seats. Just the outfit for June brides.

This Exact \$26.50 Mirror Top, Claw Foot China Case, \$15.75



Very Handsome China Case, quartered oak finish, large mirror top, carved claw feet, heavy plate glass door and bent glass ends.

The Greatest Bargain Ever Offered in Genuine Bentwood Lawn Benches at \$1.75



We ordered a carload of these benches and they came to us in red, instead of green. In view of the error we secured a price concession which enables us to offer this extra special bargain. The benches are strongly built of bentwood, and are rigidly braced with extra center legs. Extra special price, \$1.75.

Polar-Alaska Refrigerators

Cut Down Ice Bills and Are Guaranteed to Satisfy

These Polar-Alaska Refrigerators are built of hand-polished hardwood, with rounded corners; they are fitted with removable traps, removable waste pipes, corrugated wire shelves and metal ice racks; they have swinging base, and are interlined with charcoal; all sizes. The most economical, most satisfactory, most sanitary refrigerators on the market today.

OUR ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE

Goes with every Refrigerator. That means we will replace any Refrigerator that proves unsatisfactory within one year from date of purchase.

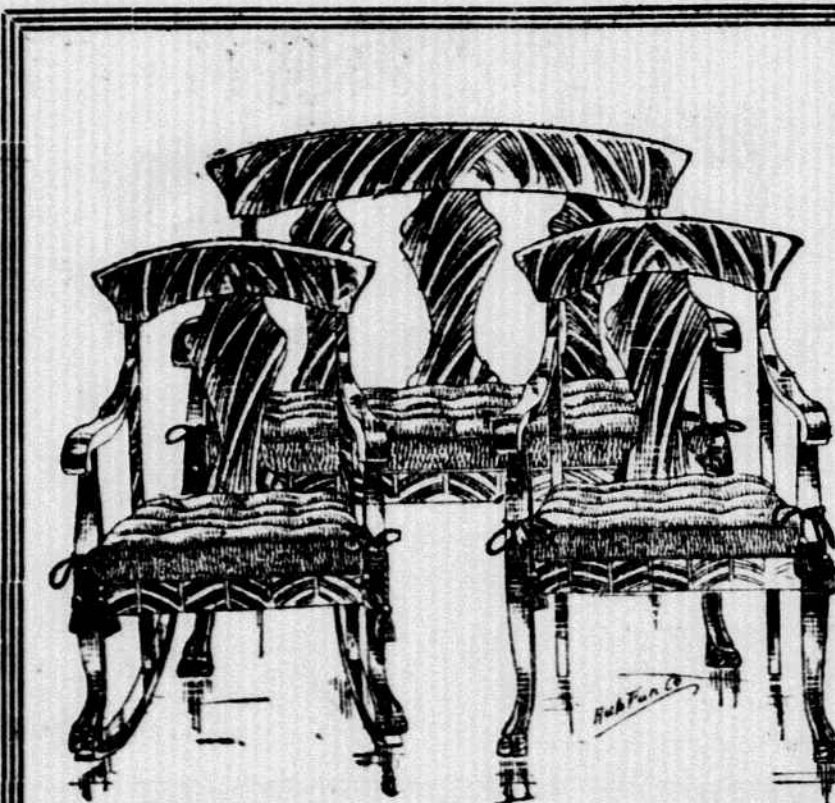
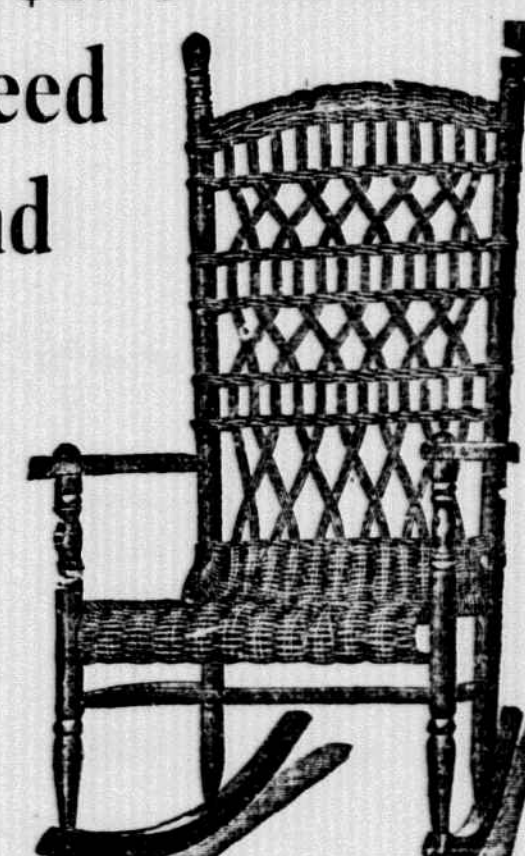
The Family Size Refrigerator on the left is priced **\$5.75**

The Apartment Size Refrigerator on the right—50 in. high, 22 in. wide and 18½ in. deep —for **\$13.75**



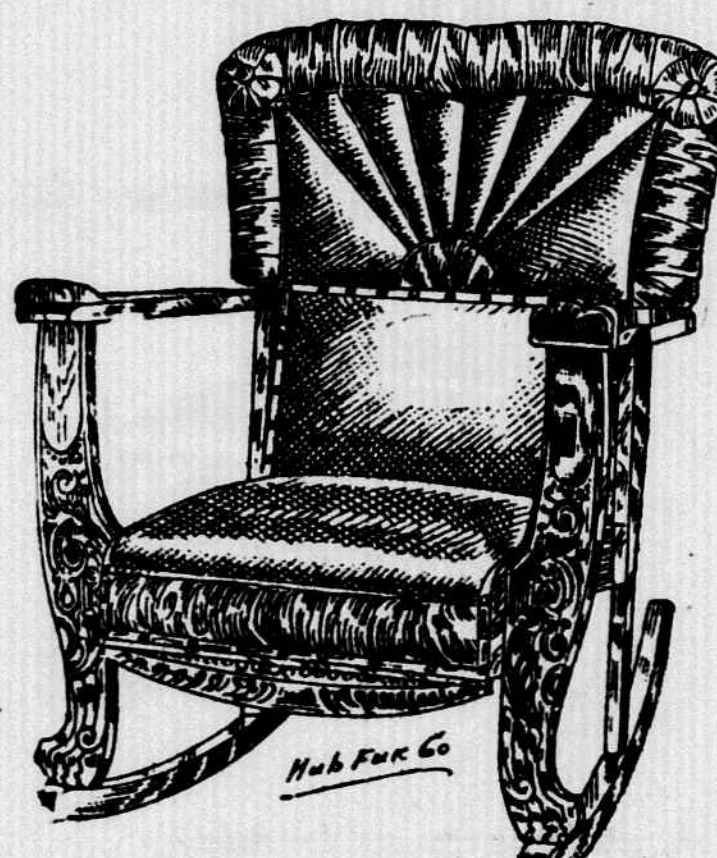
This Exact \$2.75 Vermont Maple Reed Back and Seat Rocker, \$1.95

The frame of this Rocker is made of genuine Vermont maple, which is noted for its beauty and durability. The back and seat are woven of selected reed. An Ideal Rocker for porch or room.



This Exact \$35.00 Three-Piece, Claw-Foot Parlor Suite \$19.75

Hand-polished Crotch Mahogany—finish 3-piece Parlor Suite; carved claw feet; mercerized silk plush loose cushions, with silk tassels.



This Exact \$9.50 Claw-Arm Boston Leather Full Ruffled ROCKER \$3.95

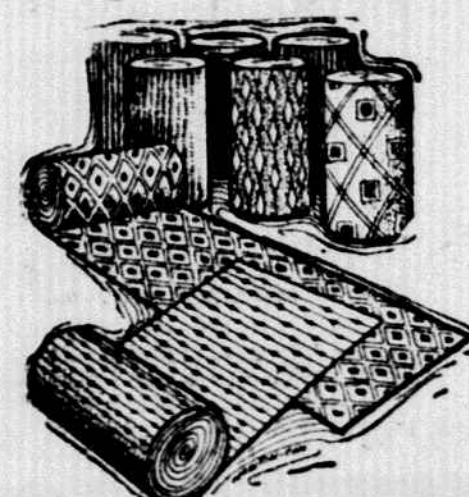
A very massive Rocker, like cut, carved claw arms, broad supports; fully upholstered in genuine Boston Leather; full ruffled front and back, with rosettes at corners of headrest.

Go-Carts Are Going Fast at 25% to 33⅓% OFF!



Included in this great sale are 185 different styles of Go-Carts—all new, handsome, and up-to-date. We are making a sweeping clearance of the stock at 25% to 33⅓% off regular prices from the finest \$45 carriages to a good folding go-cart, with genuine Boston leather back and seat, which is offered now at **\$1.95**

Extraordinary Sacrifice Sale of Fine China Mattings



Over 200 new and pretty patterns are in this big stock of China Mattings, and every roll is included in the sale at a generous reduction.

18c China Matting, good quality.....8¼c
25c Heavy Jointless China Matting.....19c
35c Extra Heavy Jointless China Matting.....25c
40c Fine Lintan Warp China Matting.....29c

THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

HUB

FURNITURE CO.

Corner 7th and D Streets N. W.

This Imperial Leather Davenport \$15.75

Massive Imperial Quartered Oak Frame Davenport, like cut, upholstered in genuine Imperial Leather; opens up to full double bed.

